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## **HAWAIIAN NAMES RECOMMENDED FOR HART'S RAIL STATIONS**

The Honolulu Authority for Rapid Transportation (HART) announced today the proposed Hawaiian names of the twelve rail stations between Pearl Harbor and Ala Moana Center as recommended by the HART Hawaiian Station Naming Working Group.

The proposed names are:

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| Makalapa   | (Location: Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam)                       |
| Lelepaua   | (Location: Daniel K. Inouye International Airport)               |
| Āhua       | (Location: Lagoon Drive)   |
| Kahauiki   | (Location: Middle Street Transit Center)                         |
| Mokauea    | (Location: Dillingham Boulevard and Mokauea)                     |
| Niuhelewai | (Location: Honolulu Community College)                           |
| Kūwili     | (Location: Iwilei)   |
| Holau      | (Location: Chinatown; Nimitz Highway and Kekaulike Street)       |
| Kuloloia   | (Location: Downtown; Nimitz Highway and Bishop Street)           |
| Ka'ākaukui | (Location: Halekauwila Street and South Street in Kaka'ako)      |
| Kūkuluāe'ō | (Location: Between Halekauwila and Queen Streets near Ward Ave.) |
| Kālia      | (Location: Kona Street at Ala Moana Center)                      |

Members of the working group used diverse community knowledge, oral accounts and written history to come up with the names, and to bring back place names and

significant sites in Hawaiian culture. The group previously recommended names for the rail stations located between Aloha Stadium and Kapolei.

“Once again, HART extends a warm mahalo to the members of the working group for their dedication to this important and significant naming effort,” said HART Executive Director and CEO Andrew Robbins. “Hawaiian names for our rail stations help to keep alive the traditions, culture and history of this special place.”

The working group now invites the public to contribute its stories, historic facts and knowledge of significant events about the station Hawaiian names over the next month. Comments can be sent to [info@honolulustransit.org](mailto:info@honolulustransit.org) or by calling the hotline at 566-2299. After 30 days, the working group will meet to consider the public comments before finalizing the names and presenting them to the HART Board of Directors for review and adoption.

More details on the Hawaiian station names, including pronunciations can be found on the HART project website at <http://honolulustransit.org/media-center/planning/528-hawaiian-names>

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